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For METHOD FOR ANALYZING READINGS OF

NUCLEIC ACID ASSAYS

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Non-final Office Action dated May 31, 2006, please amend the above identified U.S. patent application as follows:

A listing of current and withdrawn claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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